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Cultural Evening

Last night we celebrated all the amazing music and performing arts happening at Silverdale with our cultural evening. It was incredible to see our brave learners perform on stage - many for the very first time - in front of a crowd of supportive friends and family. It was a wonderful atmosphere! Thank you to everyone who came along to support and a big thank you to our music teachers and Mrs Thatcher who coordinates our music programmes at school. If you'd like to know more about getting your children involved in music lessons next year, please call the office and talk to Priscilla.



Junior School Trip

Last Friday all of the Junior school went to the Waikato A and P show. We went to a variety of activities while we were there. We were able to see a cow being milked and a sheep being shorn. We watched a dog agility demonstration where dogs of all sizes completed an obstacle course. The children were able to enter the sand saucer competition where they had to decorate a plate with flowers. We learnt all about how to look after poultry and even got to hold the tiny baby chicks. We were able to watch and pet some of the baby farm animals and sit up on the range of tractors. It was a fun and informative day.





A huge thank you to my awesome Junior Team and all our wonderful parent helpers for helping to make this a great day out.

Mrs Edwards - Team Leader, Junior School

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Celebrating our Cultures Week

Dress in clothes this Friday that represent your culture or heritage. We will have a whole school assembly at 9.10am. Children will have the opportunity to walk in a parade wearing their cultural dress and we will share a few items from the week.



Important Dates

Term 4 is a busy term with lots of action! Our school calendar is available on our website. Here is a summary of some key events:

8 November	T-Ball Tournament
13 November	Berkley Year 6 Orientation Visit
14 November	9.00-11.00am - Finals of Senior School Speech Competition
15 November	Middle School / Senior School Athletics Day
19 November	Vision and Hearing Checks for New Entrants and children requiring rechecks
20 November	Junior Athletics Day
22 November	Inter-school Athletics Day
29 November	PTG School Disco
6 December	Senior trip / Middle School Big Day In
9 -10 December	Parent Conversations
12 December	Year 6 Leavers' Dinner
18 December	Final Assembly
19 December	Last day of School (half day)

PTG News

- PTG AGM Results We would like to congratulate the following people re/elected to the
 officer roles:
 - Katherine Don Chairperson
 - Heather Watson Vice-Chair
 - Jen Cox Secretary
 - Natasha Lipsey Treasurer
- Friday Iceblocks Mini Popsicles (\$1.00) and juicies (\$1.50) will be on sale every Friday after school outside the staff room.
- Christmas Card Workshop Saturday, 30th November, 1.00-3.00pm, in the meeting room at school - \$20.00 to hand make four cards. All materials and afternoon tea will be provided. Children 8yrs plus welcome but must be accompanied by an adult. Places are limited, please email ptg@silverdale.school.nz or facebook message us to secure a space.
- Summer Fun Raffle keep an eye out for the raffle form coming home next week. Proceeds to go to our shade sail project.
- Term 4 Disco Friday 29th November, 5-7pm. Parent help needed! Each class will 'adopt' a stall and we are asking for parents to volunteer to man the stall for 30 mins. A notice will come home from your class.
- Year 6 Leavers Dinner Save the Date: Thursday, 12th December.
- Next meeting Tuesday 19th November, 7pm, in the staffroom. All welcome.
- Keep in touch:
 - Like our Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/silverdalenormalschoolptg.
 - Join our Facebook Group: "Friends of the PTG SNS"
 - Messenger: m.me/silverdalenormalschoolptg
 - Email: ptg@silverdale.school.nz

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Ruben the Bear

Last Wednesday the junior school had a visit from Ruben the Road Safety Bear. He came to remind us about all the things we need to remember to help keep us safe when we are crossing the road, riding our scooters or bikes and travelling in a car. We loved singing the road safety song with Ruben and some of the learners got to help Ruben demonstrate how to cross the road safely.



Hats

The weather has been amazing this week! A reminder to please make

sure your students are arriving at school with a named hat which needs to be worn at morning tea and lunch times as well as during any outdoor activities.

Congratulations to our Certificate Winners

Each week at our assembly every class issues one class certificate or a Duffy Book. These students are acknowledged for making a positive difference! There was no certificate assembly in week two of the term.

Swimming is all go!

Thanks to our solar heating system, last week our pool temperature rose to a comfy 23°! So great to give the children the chance to increase their water skills and confidence as well as cooling off during the day. Thank you for supporting our learners to bring their togs (swim suits) to school.

Athletics Days and Community Voice

Senior and Middle School athletics day is on Friday, 15th November, and Junior Athletics Day is Wednesday 20th November. You are welcome to join us on the day to encourage your learners and cheer them on! Also on the day, you will have an opportunity to feed into the goals and aspirations of our school. We will set up a station for you to record your ideas and thoughts about what is important to you about our school values and principles, and what our school principles mean from your perspective. We will use this information to help plan and guide our strategic goals and direction.

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Kids Yoga Class with Sarah Vassella

Please contact Sarah <u>sarahvassella@gmail.com</u> if you are interested in your child participating in these yoga classes on a Friday morning this term.

Mamasdonuts Fundraiser

Pick up is after school this <u>Thursday, 7th November</u>, outside the staffroom.



Violin Lessons

Next Thursday will be the last day for violin lessons this year. Children who have rented a violin for the year will need to return it to the Office before the end of the term.





Senior School Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser

Our current Year 4 and 5 students will be going on a Senior School camp in 2020. To help reduce costs per student, they have decided to hold a sausage sizzle on Senior and Middle School Athletics Day (Friday, 15th November). Order forms have been sent home. All pre-orders must be in by next Monday, 11th November. Sausages and ice block orders will

be delivered to the students. All the sausages are gluten free. If you do not have an order form, please collect one from the School Office.

Vision and Hearing Checks

Vision Hearing Technicians from Community and Southern Rural Health will be visiting our school on Tuesday, 19th November. The objective of the test is to identify previously undetected vision and hearing defects. If any parents/caregivers <u>do not</u> want their child to be checked, or their child is currently under specialist care for a vision or hearing defect, they should let the school know. Children being checked are: children who have not completed vision and hearing checks as part

of their B4 School check, children absent from a previous visit, children who require retests or follow up and new immigrants. In special circumstances, parents, teachers or others may request a vision or hearing check.

Extra Clothing in School Bags

A reminder to please continue to keep a spare set of clothing in your child's schoolbag.

Project Energise

Nuggets provided by Zane Hartley, Hamilton Energizer



Michael Harrop - Principal

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